



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Rope Lighting		
Code Section(s)	CFC § 8503.2		
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The question has come up about the use of "Rope Lighting". Is rope lighting to be considered "Holiday" or "decorative" lighting as referred to in section 8503.2? We are seeing it used in many occupancies including Assembly on a permanent use basis. Builders are now using it under cabinets etc...

No. If the lights are listed for indoor application and installed in accordance with the California Electrical Code it would not be considered "Holiday" or "Decorative" lighting.